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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction/Election requirement imposed by the Examiner in the abovereferenced application (Office Communication mailed April 28, 2005), Applicants hereby elect Group I for further prosecution.

Group I includes, as determined by the Examiner, the subject matter of claims 1-15, drawn to compounds, classified in classes 540, 544, 546, 548 and 549, in various subclasses. Furthermore, Applicants elect for examination purposes the specie of Example 1 as requested by the Examiner. This compound is 4-[5-(5,5-dimethyl-[1,3]dioxan-2-yl)-2-(4fluoro-phenyl)-2H-pyrazol-3-yl]-pyridine.

Upon allowance of the above-elected subject matter, the claims will be amended to reflect such election. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the remaining non-elected subject matter in one or more timely filed divisional applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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